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Filed: July 22, 1999)
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Identification, and)
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Desired Behavior, More)
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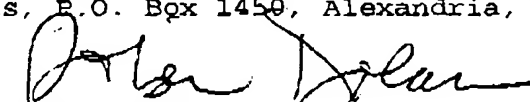
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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT
AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

As a supplement to Applicants' Amendment and Request for Reconsideration under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 filed October 1, 2003 in the above-identified patent application, the Examiner

is respectfully requested to take into account the Declaration of Han van de Waterbeemd which is submitted herewith. Han van de Waterbeemd is an independent scientist. Indeed, he has no relationship with the invention nor with Synt:em, the assignee of the present application and invention.

The Declaration of Han van de Waterbeemd clearly establishes that the instant specification is fully enabled with regards to performing dynamic filtering as claimed. The declaration explicitly points out where the specification provides a sufficient description of the dynamic filtering process such that a skilled artisan would be enabled to practice the claimed invention. Moreover, the declaration specifically indicates that a skilled artisan, at the time the instant application was filed, would have been enabled, by cited publications and publically available software, to perform the dynamic filtering step as claimed.

In view of the Declaration of Han van de Waterbeemd, the reasons for rejecting claims 1, 4, 5, 8-10, 18-20, and 73 under the enablement requirement of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as set forth by the Examiner in the July 1, 2003 Official Action are untenable. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph be withdrawn and that this application be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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